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affectionately & gratefully  
to you. You know of course  
that little Mrs. Pussell  
Taylor is now Mrs.  
Julia DeLubruke.  
"Could you on this  
fair mountain leave  
to bed!" — they  
will — they  
that will to Cupar  
Major to Cupar.  
Commander West-  
affectionately to  
Pillsbury when  
you see him.  
Yours cordially,  
W. M. Chapman

hear from Mrs. Mitchell  
your dear father's continued im-  
provement & good spirits. I know  
how constantly & completely you  
are ever occupied, & how impossible  
it is that I should hear from  
you as often as I should like.  
but I none the less — all the  
more rejoice in every little item  
of news of you I can get hold  
of. I am delighted that  
you find Pillsbury to be so  
exactly what he really is — a  
most important & devoted man



to the cause. I work with  
 you, (as I learn you do  
 wish it) that he could remain  
 in England for a season -  
 even a long season, as he is  
 so useful notwithstanding his delicate  
 health. But pray warn him  
 to be part careful of his health.  
 We heard last week from the  
 family at Rome. Lucia is better,  
 though she has been so ill as to  
 have absorbed them all in nursing  
 her, the greater part of the winter.  
 There are states of health where  
 a person, if left alone a moment  
 free to do it, drops out of existence  
 at once. This is her state. Care  
 keeps her alive, & has brought  
 on to a point from which we



May hope ultimate recovery.  
Good news from Massachusetts  
as you will have seen, but none  
but a Boston person could see  
from the events, how good. For  
example - J. M. Lowell - one of the  
editors of the Standard till lately, -  
he who stood by Garrison & Abby  
Kelly & me, in the early times  
in England, & wherever he went  
in America, is now professor of  
Modern literature in Harvard  
University - Cambridge, Mass. Douglass  
resigned. E. Julia Loring, slave-com-  
missioner is turned out of the place  
of Law-lecturer at Cambridge  
because of his slave-commissioner-  
ship. I saw yesterday a very good  
old friend, an American, whom Scraps  
always have kept from being fully  
with us. He is in the same old state.  
Can't bear so sacred a cause to be  
injured by mistakes & ignorance on the



part of its adherents: Hopes greatly  
going will not be turned out of the  
Office of Judge of Probate, because  
it would be a bad precedent. If  
South-Flower turned a man out of  
judgeship to-day, for slavery ~~morning~~  
tomorrow. I could not help "obtestating  
the heavens"; upon this much of  
the manner of the old England  
Minister: "Lords! teach to discern  
between things that differ!" This  
beating the just & the unjust as if  
one was no better than the other  
as if one had as good a  
right to a law-office as another  
as if ~~turning out~~ <sup>doing right by</sup> the just would  
be a precedent for doing wrong by the  
just, is a glorious specimen of what  
the French call the esprit faux.  
It can't hit the nail upon the  
head but always strikes a nail  
thundering me & mine most